

# Mockernut Hickory

*Carya tomentosa* (Juglandaceae)



**Identification:** The 5 to 9 (usually 7) leaflets of the compound leaves of this hickory are hairy beneath as is the stem that bears them.

**Notes:** The extraordinarily thick shell of the nut accounts for its common name. In pre-settlement north Florida, it was one of the two hardwoods most characteristic of the transition between upland pine and mesic hammock ecosystems.